Grand Officers Honors
Brother Hober Ashlock - 50 Years

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Kentucky, Chris L. Stout, along with the Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Rick Nation, and the Right Worshipful Grand Senior Warden, Wilson K. Wilder, opened an emergent communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F&AM, in ample form, at the home of Brother Hober Ashlock, 1700 E. Highway 22, Crestwood, Kentucky, at 1 p.m. on October 26, 2012, for the purpose of making Brother Ashlock a Master Mason.

Brother Ashlock started his Masonic travels in 1963 at Harry R. Kendall No. 750 and has maintained his membership since that time, never advancing beyond the Entered Apprentice Degree. Brother Ashlock has fought cancer for the last several years and is now on oxygen. Recently he learned the cancer has invaded his brain.

Also on hand for this special ceremony were Brother Raymond Swanson, Master of Harry R. Kendall No. 750, Marshall Geoghegan, P.M., Senior Warden of Harry R. Kendall No. 750, Kevin Reardon, P.M., Pewee Valley No. 829, and Gene Crady, P.M., Pewee Valley No. 829.

Grand Master Stout closed the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F&AM at 1:30 p.m. After the ceremony, the Grand Master presented Brother Ashlock his Gold Card, 50 year pin, and a Grand Masters pin. Brothers Reardon and Crady presented him the Masonic Veterans of Kentucky pin in honor of his service in Vietnam.

Thank you Brother Hober Ashlock for your 50 years of dedication to the Fraternity.

Mt. Gilead Lodge 255 – Coat Drive

The Brothers of Mt Gilead Lodge No. 255, led by Senior Warden Wayne Saylor, conducted a coat drive for the local schools in Pulaski County. Pictured are Senior Warden Wayne Saylor and Master Eddie Jernigan. The Brothers would like to thank those who helped and donated coats.

Hepburn Lodge 576 – Grand Master Presentation

Brother Roland Hutchinson, Master of Hepburn Lodge No. 576 presented a Masons ball cap to Grand Master Terry L. Bowman at the recent 213th Grand Communication. The cap was one of a few surviving items from Highland Lodge No. 311 that was hit by a tornado. The hat was given to the Grand Master to remind Brothers to always remember and instill the “Masons Helping Masons” program into all your daily lives and activities.

Grand Master Gavel Presentation

Brother Cloyd J. Bumgardner, Grand Junior Warden (elect) presented Grand Master Terry L. Bowman with a gavel at the 213th Grand Communication. The gavel was handmade by Brother Bumgardner’s Dad (Cloyd Sr.) a fellow Mason shortly before his passing. A special moment indeed.

INSIDE THIS ISSUE...
First, Cindy and I hope that you and your families had a great Thanksgiving. The month of December brings several things to light each year. One of those is for all Lodges to elect Officers. I would like to encourage you to have an Open Installation as this is one event to share with our families, coworkers and friends. Welcome each of them into your Lodges this time of year. The election of Officers is a very important time in our Lodges and in the future of each Lodge. We must elect a worthy Brother to preside as Master. This Brother will lead, rule and govern the Lodge for the ensuing twelve months. He deserves your respect for the office he holds as the brethren of the Lodge has elected him. He also has the task of appointing Officers if they are not elected) to lead the Lodge in the years to come. Another event in the month of December is to celebrate the Christmas and Holiday season. All of the gifts and fellowship with each other and our families are certainly special. Let us not forget the greatest gift that of our LORD.

We are on track to begin the Masonic Educational Conferences next month and the first one will be in Benton, Kentucky on Saturday January 19, 2013 at the Marshall County High School starting at 9:00 AM (CST). The Committee on Masonic Education this year has developed a great program to present throughout the next several months for the CRAFT of Kentucky. Remember, these programs are Mandatory for the Master or to see that each Lodge is represented. Lodge Officers are encouraged to attend, but any member that would like to attend is certainly welcome. There will be breakout sessions for the Lodge Secretaries and Treasurers. The Masonic Educational Meeting schedule is located on the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Website and in the Masonic Home Journal. Also, every lodge Secretary was mailed a District Deputy Handbook, the meeting schedule with locations, times and places are listed in the handbook. Each DDGM was also presented with a Handbook and they can communicate to Brothers of their respective Districts regarding the locations, dates and times of these meetings.

If you have not made a donation to the Annual Holiday Cards, please consider it. All net proceeds will go toward the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Library and Museum.

May this holiday season inspire you to continue to Love one another throughout the entire year and not just this time of the season. Let us remember, that we have taken certain obligations and remember to communicate, assist, respect and educate one another in the greatest Fraternity in the world.

Cindy and I wish each of you and your families a very Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a prosperous New Year. May GOD continue to bless you and your families.

Chris L. Stout
Grand Master
The proper dress for those Masons participating in the Masonic Burial Ceremony is addressed both in *The Kentucky Monitor* (officially adopted by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky) and the *Book of Constitutions* (Standing Resolution No. 14).

In summary, those Officers and members of the Fraternity participating in a Masonic Funeral Service are to be appropriately dressed:

- in dark clothing,
- coat and tie,
- with plain white apron,
- black hat (Acting Master only),
- white gloves (as far as practical),
- and a sprig of evergreen upon the left lapel.

No collars and/or jewels, Masonic medals, name badges, patches (insignia), multiple lapel pins, uniforms (with the exception of Class A military uniforms), or regalia of an appendant or concordant Masonic body are permitted in the Masonic Funeral Service.

The purpose of the Mason Funeral is to show reverence and respect for the departed Brother, and to express our love and esteem for him to the family left to mourn him; not to draw attention to our personal achievements. Therefore, any Mason not in proper attire is not to take an active part in the Masonic Funeral Ceremony.

It is the responsibility of the Master (or Acting Master) conducting the Funeral Service to enforce this Directive.

Take due notice and govern yourself accordingly.

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**DISTRICT MEETING SCHEDULE 2013**

If lunch or dinner is served, the meal will be at least one hour before meeting times. **ALL MEETING TIMES ARE PREVAILING TIMES**

Meeting facilities are to be determined by the respective District Deputies.

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Wheelwright Lodge 889 – Charity Event

Wheelwright Lodge No. 889 participated in the South Floyd High Schools Annual Safe Trick or Treat program, held at the School on Wednesday, October 31, 2012. The Lodge gave out over 500 hot dogs to the ghosts and goblins that visited the school. A big thank you goes out to all these Brothers that helped make this event possible. Wheelwright Lodge participates in this event every year. A great time was had by all. Pictured above, left to right: Randy Lee Hall, Junior Deacon; Kevin Stancil, Master Mason; Steve Berger, Past Master; Dean Hall, Master; Larry Miller, Master Mason; and Glen Rackey, Past Master. Brothers that also helped but not pictured were: Chris Adkins, Senior Steward; Greg Hall; Jody Hall; and Steve Blevins.

Mt. Gilead Lodge 255 – Football Sponsor

The Brothers of Mt. Gilead Lodge No. 255 sponsored the Pulaski County Football League. Pictured, left to right: Dyan Keith; Jacob Troxtel; Mt. Gilead Lodge Master Eddie Jernigan; Austin King; Ethan King; and Brother Dan Hamlin. The young men are members of the Southern Elementary Football team.

Pinnacle Lodge 661 – Halloween Nightmare

Pinnacle Lodge No. 661 took part in Middlesboro’s 2nd Annual “Nightmare on 20th Street” Halloween party. In addition to giving out free candy to all the kids, they were able to give free children’s books from The Children’s Reading Foundation of Appalachia, which is to encourage the children to read in order to broaden their horizons. The books were courtesy of Tony Maxwell.

Mt. Gilead Lodge 255 – Halloween Party

Mt. Gilead Lodge No. 255 got into the Halloween spirit as they gave out candy and goodies to the children around Science Hill. Even “Hiram Abiff” in his Master’s regalia joined in the festivities with Warren King (left) and Lodge Master Eddie Jernigan (right).

Wayne Saylor, Senior Warden and Warren King, Junior Deacon and their families supported the children of Warren King while handing out candy on Halloween and by providing a place to warm up from the cold weather during trick or treat.
If you have not had the opportunity to visit the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Web Page, you can do so by logging on at www.grandlodgeofkentucky.org.

Also visit the Masonic Home Journal at this site. The Web Page is now more updated and informative, so please visit us at the site listing above.
Abraham Lodge 8 – Grand Lodge Presentation

The members of Abraham Masonic Lodge No. 8 were given a special gift and recognition from the Masonic Homes at the recent 213th Annual Grand Communication. Abraham Lodge purchased memory bricks for their 125 Lodge members. Pictured, left to right: Bruce Lott, Masonic Homes; Robert Conder, representing Abraham Lodge; Wendell Littlefield and Gary Marsh, Masonic Homes.

James W. Alley Lodge 869 – Excellency Award

At the Two Hundred & Thirteenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky held at the Galt House in Louisville, Kentucky, October 15-16, 2012, James W. Alley Lodge No. 869, was presented the Grand Masters Excellency Award 2011-2012. This award has very high achievement requirements and is the highest award a Lodge can receive. Pictured, left to right, front row: Stephen Barnette, Master Mason. Back row: Grady Allen, Junior Warden; James Reynolds, Senior Warden; Tyler Green, Senior Steward; Ernest Jackson, D.D.G.M., 2012-2013, District #28 and Treasurer; Douglas A. Harvey, Masonic Homes Ambassador, 2012-2014, District #28 and Past Master; Jerry Thomas, Master; Terry L. Bowman, Grand Master 2011-2012; Dean Hall, Master Mason; Ernie Gullett, Past Master & Secretary; Chris Adkins, Master Mason; and Randy Lee Hall, Master Mason. The Officers and the entire Craft of James W. Alley worked very hard to achieve this award.

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masonichomejournal@hotmail.com
Abraham No. 8 is 2012 Friend of the Homes

Members of Abraham Lodge were honored at the 213th Communication as 2012's Friend of the Homes. “Our brothers at Abraham No. 8 have demonstrated a commitment to the Homes that is humbling, gratifying and deserving of special recognition,” said Homes' CEO Gary Marsh. “They have consistently stepped up to help wherever help is needed, and we are proud to honor them in this way.”

Abraham has a legendary legacy of service to the Homes, making the residents their priority. Regular events sponsored by the lodge include chapel services, on-campus lodge meetings and an annual summer cookout. Lodge members come early and stay late for the annual Great Day of Service and always have time to visit one-on-one with residents.

Recently, Abraham No. 8 made a lasting gift to the Homes, paying tribute to its 125 members with individual limestone tiles in the Legacy Garden on the Louisville campus.

Two employees received state honors

A pair of Masonic Home of Louisville employees were recognized for professional accomplishments at the 2012 LeadingAge Kentucky annual awards luncheon. CNA Theodora Lowe received the Caring Hands Outstanding Service award for her work in the dementia and palliative care households. “Theo is everything a home could want in a caregiver, and someone families trust without reservation,” said Executive Director Lori Hess. “She is an exceptional employee whose commitment to our residents knows no bounds.”

LPN Tony Sumpter was awarded the LeadingAge Kentucky Scholarship, in support of his pursuit of a bachelor’s degree in nursing. Sumpter is a house leader at Sam Swope Care Center, where his focus is on quality resident care, safety and staff professionalism. “Tony’s knowledge, compassion and genuine concern make him a one-of-a-kind co-worker and manager.”

Founded in 1977, LeadingAge Kentucky represents non-profit communities, assisted living, housing and services programs for the elderly and disabled. The association provides services to member organizations that will enhance the quality of life of those who are served.
**Renew your obligation – renew your plate**

By Bruce Lott  
Chief Development Officer

Masonic Homes of Kentucky is perhaps the most visible example of our obligation as Masons.

During his year as our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brother Chris Stout’s program includes raising funds to provide for the Homes’ Masonicare residents in Louisville and Shelbyville. More than $1 million is needed annually to meet those expenses.

You can help, and display your Masonic pride, by purchasing a Masonic license plate for your vehicle when it is time to renew. In doing so, you can make a voluntary $10 gift to the Homes. This unique way to Renew Your Obligation will help the Homes continue to care for your Brothers, their wives and widows in the future.

**Worth a thousand words**

Masonic Homes District 22 Ambassador Ken Cooper and wife, Corrina, presented a $1,000 gift to Homes’ CEO Gary Marsh, Senior VP of Operations, J Scott Judy and Mission Advancement coordinator Brenda Travis. The gift resulted from the sale of handmade coco wood pens created by David Perton of Somerset.

Grand Master Terry Bowman was recognized at the 21st Annual Communication for his service on the Homes Board of Directors.

**Now serving! 2012-13 District Ambassadors**

Michael Terry, District 1  
Max Rogers, District 2  
Bill Perry, District 3  
James Stamps, District 4  
Michael Pruitt, District 5  
Keith Steele, District 6  
Waren Haviland, District 7  
Damon Lasley, District 8  
Marshall Butterly, District 9  
Butch Fane, District 10  
Michael Mosby, District 11  
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Herb Zimmerman, District 14  
Darrell Fogle, District 15  
TBD, District 16  
Brett Brocksmith, District 17  
Eric Creech, District 18  
Billy Scovel, District 19  
Cameron Poe, District 20  
Billy Phillips, District 21  
Ken Cooper, District 22  
Wendall Trent, District 23  
Don Powell, District 24  
David Jones, District 25  
Terry Hamblin, District 26  
Walt Swint, District 27  
Doug Harvey, District 28  
Charles Hall, District 29  
Preston McLain, District 30

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Masonic Home of Shelbyville’s Dining Services team, led by Director Linda Wagner (far right), has served up excellence. They have been named Morrison Healthcare Food Service’s Regional Account of the Year.

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Casey Adams  
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Mintonville Lodge 392 – Awards Night

Mintonville Lodge No. 392 held its awards night on October 6, 2012. Along with presenting Service Awards, several certificates of appreciation were awarded to family members of the Lodge.

Daryl Jasper (right) was awarded “Mason of the Year,” by his father, Bill Jasper, Tiler (left).

Bill Jasper, Tiler, 60 Year Service Award.

Ertis Roy received his 50 Year Service Award.

Billy Wayne Wesley received his 25 Year Service Award (left).

Burnside Lodge 634 – Past Masters Night


photo by Ken Criswell

Burnside Lodge 634 – Raises One

Burnside Lodge No. 634 recently raised a new Master Mason from its ranks. Enjoying the raising from left, David Thompson, Junior Warden; Vence Burke, Senior Warden, Jonathan Gibson, New Master Mason; and Mike Hill, Sr., Lodge Master. Congratulations Jonathan.

photo by Donnie Brake

Kentucky Order of the Eastern Star

LINDA STEPP
Worthy Grand Matron

MICHAEL MARTIN
Worthy Grand Patron

DECEMBER ITINERARY

1. District 14 School & Bremen #196 Inspection
2. Church - District 14
3. Drakesboro #489 Inspection
4. Rising Star #115 CV (Dist. 2)
7. District 1 Fantastic Club Dinner
8. District 1 School, GO Party, Murder Mystery
9. Church - District 1 & party honoring Mike Berry
10. Middletown #319 Inspection (Dist. 1)
11. Purity #116 Inspection (Dist. 1)
12. Shively Star #568 Inspection (Dist. 1)
13. Harmony #273 Inspection (Dist. 1)
14. Eastern Star Home Christmas Party
15. Grand Officers Christmas Party

MERRY CHRISTMAS
The Society of Past Masters of Central Kentucky will meet Pleasure Ridge Park Lodge No. 959, located at Shawnee Lodge Hall, 7016 Southside Drive, in Louisville, Kentucky on Saturday, January 26, 2013. We will eat at 6:30 p.m. and then meet at 7:30 p.m.

At this meeting we will attend to necessary business, induct new members and also elect and install Officers for the upcoming year. All members are encouraged to attend and be a part of the functions of your Society.

Current 'sitting' Masters as well as all Past Masters of recognized Lodges are eligible for membership. Total fees, with dues for LIFE included, are $35.00.

For information contact: James B. Wall, Secretary, 7807 Bluebonnet Road, Louisville, KY 40258-2313 (502) 937-5372. E-mail: wjamesb@insightbb.com.

Rudolph’s Colorful Past...

The Chicago-based Montgomery Ward company, department store operators, had been purchasing and distributing children's coloring books as Christmas gifts for their customers for several years. In 1939, Montgomery Ward tapped one of their own employees to create a book for them, thus saving money. 34-year old copywriter Robert L. May wrote the story of Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer in 1939, and 2.4 million copies were handed out that year. Despite the wartime paper shortage, over 6 million copies had been distributed by 1946.

May drew in part on the story "The Ugly Duckling" and in part from his own experiences as an often taunted, small, frail youth to create the story of the misfit reindeer. Though Rollo and Reginald were considered, May settled on Rudolph as his reindeer's name.

Writing in verse as a series of rhyming couplets, May tested the story as he went along on his 4-year old daughter Barbara, who loved the story.

Sadly, Robert Mays wife died around the time he was creating Rudolph, leaving May's deeply in debt due to medical bills. However, he was able to persuade Sewell Avery, Montgomery Ward's corporate president, to turn the copyright over to him in January 1947, thus ensuring May's financial security.

May's story "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" was printed commercially in 1947 and in 1948 a nine-minute cartoon of the story was shown in theaters. When May's brother-in-law, songwriter Johnny Marks, wrote the lyrics and melody for the song "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer", the Rudolph phenomenon was born. Turned down by many musical artists afraid to contend with the legend of Santa Claus, the song was recorded by Gene Autry in 1949 at the urging of Autry's wife. The song sold two million copies that year, going on to become one of the best-selling songs of all time, second only to Bing Crosby's "White Christmas". The 1964 television special about Rudolph, narrated by Burl Ives, remains a holiday favorite to this day and Rudolph himself has become a much-loved Christmas icon.
Notice

HIGHLAND PARK
Lodge No. 865

Highland Park Lodge No. 865 stated meeting on the fourth Monday of December will be dark, Christmas Eve December 24, 2012. Annual meeting will be held Thursday, December 27, 2012 to install all Officers for 2013; eat at 6:30 p.m. meeting to follow.

By-Laws

BOAZ MASONIC
HOME LODGE NO. 850

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Boaz Masonic Home Lodge No. 850 will be voting on proposed By-Law changes. All members are encouraged to attend.

BRIENSBURG LODGE NO. 410

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Briensburg Lodge No. 401 F&AM will vote on proposed changes to the By-Laws. This change will concern both the day and time of the stated communication. All members are urged to attend.

DUVALL LODGE NO. 6

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Duvall Lodge No. 6 will vote on changes to its By-Laws. This change will deal with raising our dues. Please make every effort to attend.

PIERATT LODGE NO. 725

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Pieratt Lodge No. 725 will vote on changes to the By-Laws concerning a dues increase. All members are encouraged to attend.

RESOLUTION OF RESPECT

Cloyd Copas
In memory of Brother Cloyd Copas a true and faithful Brother for 60 years, who passed from this life on earth November 1, 2011 to that Great Lodge on High;

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Almighty God to call our Brother from Labor here on earth to that Grand Lodge on High; let it be

RESOLVED, that in his death we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends and direct them for comfort and consolation to our Heavenly Father who doeth all things well; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that these Resolutions be sent to the family, a copy sent The Masonic Home Journal for publication, and a copy to be used in the minutes of the Lodge.

RONALD THEREL, MASTER
JOE W. WHEAT, SR., SEC.

The Masonic Home Journal

TRAVELING GAVEL PROGRAM

During the year 2012 - 2013, the Grand Master is offering a suggestion on how to use the Traveling Gavel along with a program to support your travel to other lodges, meet other Masonic Brothers. The whole idea behind the program is for you and your Lodge Brothers to travel within your district.

The District Deputy Grand Master within each district will be urged to promote and execute this traveling program in their district. Each district will possess the Traveling Gavel for promotional purposes.

A Lodge visitation can be one of the most educational and rewarding experiences with in our Fraternity. Let us share our Fraternal friendship and fellowship with our Brothers by visiting Lodges in the district and throughout our great jurisdiction. The District Deputy Grand Master should know at all times where the Traveling Gavel resides and it is his responsibility to keep it moving.

The Rules and Regulations below are a guide on how it should work BUT if your particular District has had a program of their own in place for some time now and your District wishes to keep it in place, The Grand Master wishes for you to do just that, keep yours in place. The Rules and Regulations below are a guideline ONLY for those Districts who wish to have a set guideline. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky Traveling Gavel Program may utilize the following Rules and Regulations:

The Traveling Gavel has to be placed in clear view of all visiting Brothers

(1) The traveling gravel may be claimed from a Lodge on a regular meeting, called meeting, degree work, installation of Officers, or District Meeting.

(2) Minimum of the Master and two of his five principal Officers, (Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer or Secretary)

(3) A Lodge that has four principal officers or more.

(4) A Lodge that has five or more Brothers.

(5) If two or more Lodges within the district visit a Lodge, which qualify, the Lodge that brought the most members will receive the gravel. If there is a tie, the Lodge that traveled the farthest will receive the Gavel.

(6) The "District Traveling Gavel" will be presented to the visiting Lodge before closing of the Lodge.

(7) The Lodge receiving the Gavel will notify the District Deputy that they have it in their position, so when he is asked in his travels, the other Lodges will know where it is.
INDIRA CONSISTENCY—Meets 1st Fri., Scottsville Temple Rite, 15/20 Adamson Ave., Creve Coeur (St. Louis) 63141; Luke Bently III, 32°, PGH Master of Kadath, Keith Drew, 32°, Secretary/Registrar.

LEXINGTON CONSISTENCY—Meets on 1st Thurs. each month January & February, at 7:30 PM in Lexington British Masonic Grand Lodge Hall, 3901 S. 3rd St., Lexington, 40508.

RAILWAY CHAPLAIN—Meets in Lexington British Masonic Grand Lodge Hall, 3901 S. 3rd St., Lexington, 40508.

ROYAL ARCH MASON CHAPLAIN OFFICERS

Lodge No.
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December, 2012

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Happy Holidays from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky

Front row, left to right: Virgil T. Larimore, Jr; Grand Treasurer, Pat Larimore; Richard Nation, Grand Senior Warden, Karen Nation; Cindy Stout, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Chris Stout; Peggy Conway, and Joseph Conway, Grand Secretary. Back Row, left to right: Cloyd Bumgardner, Grand Junior Warden; Salley Wilder, and Wilson Wilder, Grand Senior Warden.